

ICES Weekly Update January 13, 2025



THIS WEEK

Jan 15 – Early Dismissal @ 2:00 Chapel @ 12:30 Jan 16 – School Cash Online closes for hot lunch orders Jan 17 – Hot Lunch: Burgers

HOT LUNCH ORDERS

School Cash Online is now open for February to June orders. It will remain open until January 16th.

LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA FUNDRAISER

ICES will once again be offering Little Caesars Pizza kits as a fundraiser. The link will be open for orders from February 7 to March 3. Links will be provided in upcoming Weekly Updates and will be posted to the school website. Funds raised will go to support field trips and classroom initiatives.

LOOKING AHEAD

Jan 20 – Kindergarten Registration opens Jan 22 – Pajama Day Jan 24 – School Colours Day Jan 31 – PL Day – No School Feb 4 – Division Town Hall Meeting Feb 5 – Book Character Day Feb 7 – Hotdog Day Feb 7 – March 3 – Little Caesar's Fundraiser Feb 12 – Early Dismissal @ 12:30 Feb 14 – Friendship Day Chapel Hot Lunch: Taco-in-a-Bag Feb 17 – 21 – Mid-winter break – No School

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION Monday, January 20

We are excited to announce that Kindergarten registration opens in one week! Registrations will only be accessible through the Division website under the parent tab. Prompts will lead you through the registration process.

ICES BLESSING BOX

In grade 3, we learn about other countries, people and culture. Through our learning, this has sparked a concern for our own community in Lethbridge and how we as ICES can be a light in our neighborhood. Would we be missed if we left our neighbourhood community?

As an initiative to help our community, we have come up with the idea of a *Blessing Box* in the front yard of our school that we can fill with socks, toques, muffins, fruit, water bottles, etc. that would bless someone walking by.

The idea is: Take what you need, give what you can. The box will hang on the fence along our property, then throughout the year, and the years to come, we will continue to fill the box. We'd love to include you as families in this also, if you have an idea or would be interested in adding to the box, we would love to have anyone contribute.

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LEGION CONTEST WINNERS

Students from ICES participated in the Legion's annual Remembrance Day Poster and Literacy Contest. We want to acknowledge students who placed at the local level.

Poster – Colour - Primary

First Place – Sawyer Del Rizzo Second Place – Joshua Rempel Third Place – Tyler Nystrom

Poster – Colour - Junior

Third Place – Grayson Nagtegaal

Poster – Black & White - Junio

First Place – Phoebe Acquaye

Honorable Mention – Poster – Colour – Primary – Samuel Lammertsen Although this entry did not place, the judges designated an Honorable Mention for his outstanding achievement due to his original idea.

LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DIVISION ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING Tuesday, February 4 6:30 – 8:30 pm

The Division is set to host the annual Town Hall event on **Tuesday Feb. 4**, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Town Hall will be an in-person event at Victoria Park High School (1515-5 Ave. S.). Everyone is welcomed to attend! The more people who participate, the better the discussions will be around the table. The event will include two sessions – one where participants will be split up into elementary, middle and high school tables, and a second where tables will discuss specific topics.

For the **first session**, tables will discuss these questions:

What aspects of your school and learning experience are you most satisfied with and why?

What aspects of your school and learning experience are you least satisfied with and why?

What specific changes or initiatives do you think would improve the quality of education at your school?

For the **second session**, students will be split into one group and

parents/guardians/caregivers/staff and community members will be in the other group. Students will select one of two topics – welcoming, caring, safe and respectful learning environments or student learning engagement and academics. The other group will have three topics to choose from – parent/guardian/caregiver engagement and partnership, classroom complexity or academic achievement.

If you would like to represent ICES at this event, please contact the school office by email or call 403-317-7860.

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